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Applicant : Jacob Richter Group Art Unit: 3738
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For : STENT WITH VARIABLE FEATURES TO OPTIMIZE SUPPORT
AND METHOD OF MAKING SUCH STENT

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This paper responds to an Official Action dated June 6, 2005, for which a three month shortened statutory period of time for response expires September 6, 2005. Applicant presents the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which beings on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.